

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Gordon Vance, on March 9, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 455 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Gordon Vance, Chairman (R)  
Rep. Carolyn Squires, Vice Chairman (D)  
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)  
Rep. Tom Berry (R)  
Rep. Edward Greef (R)  
Rep. Krayton Kerns (R)  
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)  
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)  
Rep. Diane Sands (D)  
Rep. Frank Smith (D)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Lee Randall, Vice Chairman (R)  
Rep. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)  
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Lisa Adams, Committee Secretary  
Megan Moore, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 599, 3/4/2011; SB 179, 3/4/2011; SB 192, 3/4/2011

**HEARING ON SB 192****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:00:58 Sen. Ron Erickson (D), SD 47, opened the hearing on SB 192, Revise motor carrier laws related to motor carrier classes.

00:00:58 Rep. Squires left.

00:01:46 Rep. Berry left.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:03:12 John Vincent, Commissioner, Public Service Commission (PSC)

**EXHIBIT(trh53a01)**

00:03:15 Rep. Berry arrived.

00:05:33 Jerry Perkins, Karst Stage, Bozeman, Montana

00:05:50 Rep. Squires arrived.

00:06:30 Mr. Vincent, PSC

00:06:57 Markus Kirchmayr, self

00:07:53 Carrie Pintar, Amazing Taxi, Livingston, Montana

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:08:23 Rep. O'Neil

00:09:00 Sen. Erickson

00:09:37 Rep. O'Neil

00:09:42 Jim Paine, Attorney, PSC

00:10:47 Rep. O'Neil

00:10:57 Mr. Paine

00:11:06 Rep. Arntzen

00:11:22 Ms. Pintar

00:11:26 Rep. Arntzen

00:11:45 Ms. Pintar

00:13:00 Rep. Arntzen

00:13:19 Mr. Paine

00:13:35 Rep. Arntzen

00:13:45 Eric Dahlgren, Engineer and Transportation Bureau Chief, PSC

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:14:29 Sen. Erickson

**HEARING ON HB 599****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:15:12 Rep. Tom McGillvray (R), HD 50, opened the hearing on HB 599, Prohibit leaving unattended equipment and material in clear recovery area.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:17:15 Mike Brockie, self

[EXHIBIT\(trh53a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(trh53a03\)](#)

00:28:35 Susan Brockie, self

[EXHIBIT\(trh53a04\)](#)

00:31:24 Rep. Randall arrived.

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:40:52 Paul Thompson, Gilman Construction, Butte, Montana

00:50:28 Jackie Flikkema, Knife River Construction

00:52:26 Jessie Luther, Montana Contractors Association

00:55:18 Jim Lynch, Director, Montana Department of Transportation (DOT)

**Informational Testimony:** None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:01:53 Rep. Sands

01:02:16 Dir. Lynch, DOT

01:02:43 Rep. Arntzen

01:03:25 Dir. Lynch

01:05:02 Rep. Arntzen

01:05:19 Dir. Lynch

01:05:46 Rep. Arntzen

01:06:14 Dir. Lynch

01:06:54 Rep. O'Neil

01:07:26 Mr. Brockie

01:07:28 Rep. O'Neil

01:07:34 Mr. Brockie

01:07:39 Rep. O'Neil

01:07:44 Mr. Brockie

01:07:48 Rep. O'Neil

01:08:05 Mr. Brockie

01:08:43 Rep. O'Neil

01:08:44 Chairman Vance

01:08:51 Rep. Greef

01:09:37 Dir. Lynch

01:11:16 Rep. Greef

01:11:38 Dir. Lynch

01:12:32 Rep. Smith

01:12:57 Dir. Lynch

01:13:00 Rep. Smith

01:13:04 Dir. Lynch

01:13:06 Rep. Smith

01:13:09 Dir. Lynch  
01:13:16 Rep. Smith  
01:13:23 Dir. Lynch  
01:13:56 Rep. Smith  
01:14:00 Dir. Lynch  
01:14:16 Rep. Smith  
01:14:24 Dir. Lynch

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:14:34 Rep. McGillvray  
  
01:19:10 Rep. Berry left.  
01:19:25 Rep. Arntzen left.

**HEARING ON SB 179****Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:19:55 Sen. Art Wittich (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB 179, Memorialize trooper David Delaittre.  
  
01:19:55 Rep. Greef left.  
01:22:20 Rep. Smith left.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:23:13 Dennis DeLaittre, self  
01:23:53 Rep. Greef arrived.  
01:24:03 Rep. O'Neil left.  
01:25:49 Colonel Mike Tooley, Chief, Montana Highway Patrol, Montana Department of Justice (DOJ)  
01:26:51 Rep. Smith arrived.  
01:28:05 Joseph Sands, Montana State Council of Professional Fire Fighters (MSCOPFF)  
01:28:16 Rep. Arntzen arrived.  
01:28:30 Rebecca Sturdevant, Montana Concerns of Police's Survivors (C.O.P.S.)  
01:29:13 Jessie Luther, Association of Montana Troopers  
01:29:49 Jim Lynch, Director, DOT

**Opponents' Testimony:** None

**Informational Testimony:** None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:** None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:31:31 Sen. Wittich  
  
01:32:21 Rep. Sands

**ADJOURNMENT**

01:32:35      Adjournment: 4:32 p.m.

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Lisa Adams, Secretary

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**ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS:**

**[EXHIBIT\(trh53a05\)](#)**

**[EXHIBIT\(trh53a06\)](#)**

**[EXHIBIT\(trh53a07\)](#)**

**[EXHIBIT\(trh53a08\)](#)**

Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([trh53aad.pdf](#))**